State of South Dakota

EIGHTIETH LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY, 2005

916L	SENATE BILL NO
Introduced by:	
FOR A	N ACT ENTITLED, An Act to EDMUNDS-MISDEMEANORS.
BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA:	
Sec	etion 1. That § 22-6-2 be amended to read as follows:
22-	6-2. Except as otherwise provided by law, misdemeanors Misdemeanors are divided into
two cla	sses which are distinguished from each other by the following maximum penalties which
are authorized upon conviction:	
(1)	Class 1 misdemeanor: one year imprisonment in a county jail or one two thousand
	dollars fine, or both;
(2)	Class 2 misdemeanor: thirty days imprisonment in a county jail or two five hundred
	dollars fine, or both.
The	e court, in imposing sentence on a defendant who has been found guilty of a
misder	neanor, shall order, in addition to the sentence that is imposed pursuant to the provisions
of this	section, that the defendant make restitution to any victim in accordance with the
provisions of chapter 23A-28.	
Exc	cept in cases where punishment is prescribed by law, every offense declared to be a

misdemeanor and not otherwise classified, is a Class 2 misdemeanor.

- Except in Titles 1 to 20, inclusive, 22, 25 to 28, inclusive, 32 to 36, inclusive, 40 to 42,
- 2 inclusive, 47 to 54, inclusive, and 58 to 62, inclusive, if the performance of an act is prohibited
- 3 by a statute, and no penalty for the violation of such statute is imposed by a statute, the doing
- 4 of such act is a Class 2 misdemeanor.
- 5 Section 2. That § 16-12C-11 be amended to read as follows:
- 6 16-12C-11. A magistrate court with a clerk magistrate presiding has concurrent jurisdiction
- 7 with the circuit courts:

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- 8 (1) To accept defaults for petty offenses;
 - (2) To try contested cases involving a petty offense;
- 10 (3) To take pleas of guilty, not guilty, nolo contendere for any criminal offense; or
- 11 (4) To take pleas of guilty, not guilty, nolo contendere for violation of any ordinance,
- bylaw, or other police regulation of a political subdivision;
- 13 if the punishment is a fine not exceeding two five hundred dollars or imprisonment for a period
- 14 not exceeding thirty days, or both such fine and imprisonment and to impose sentence upon a
- plea of guilty or nolo contendere, which sentence shall be in accordance with § 23-1A-22 or
- schedules adopted pursuant to subdivision 16-2-21(8). However, if the offense or violation is
- 17 not covered by said schedules, the magistrate court may impose a sentence of a fine as
- authorized by statute, ordinance, bylaw, or police regulation or two five hundred dollars,
- 19 whichever is less. Acceptance of not guilty or nolo contendere pleas shall be in accordance with
- 20 §§ 23A-7-2 and 23A-7-8, as applicable.